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## NATIONAL EGG MARKET AT-A-GLANCE

Prices were unchanged in all locations. The market tone was cautiously steady to barely steady. Demand was very light to moderate. Supplies were sufficient to available for current requirements. Breaking stock supplies were barely adequate to sufficient in the East. However, offerings in the Central region were balanced to available. Demand for additional product was fair to good. Light type fowl were usually adequate for a fair to moderate demand.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, CENTS PER DOZEN.

**MIDWEST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment cautiously steady to barely steady. Retail demand was light to moderate. Food service movement was usually light. Supplies were adequate to available. Central states breaking stock prices were unchanged. Offerings were balanced to unavailable for the fairly good to good demand. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

Prices delivered to warehouse		IA-MN-WI-Prices paid to producers	
RANGE	MOSTLY	RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE 114-123	117-120	LARGE 95-104	99
LARGE 113-122	115-118	MEDIUM 64-69	68
MEDIUM 80-89	82-85	SMALL 45-51	

Prices delivered to store door

RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE 121-129	122-124
LARGE 119-127	120-122
MEDIUM 86-94	87-89

Midwest Area: IA, IL, IN, KY, MN, OH, NE, ND, SD, WI, WV, eastern NY & western PA

**NORTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was cautiously steady to mostly barely steady. Retail and distributive demand ranged very light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to fully adequate for trade requirements. Breaking stock offerings in the Eastern region were barely adequate to adequate for a moderate demand. Light type hen offerings were mostly sufficient for normal to less than normal processing schedules.

RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE 123-141	124-127
LARGE 117-131	122-126
MEDIUM 80-93	85-88

NORTHEAST AREA: CT, DC, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, Eastern NJ, Eastern NY, PA, RI, Northern VA, & VT

**SOUTHEAST REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged on all sizes when compared to the previous week's values. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. Retail demand was light to moderate. Supplies were adequate to available. Eastern region breaking stock offerings were barely adequate to sufficient for a moderate demand. Spent hen supplies were adequate for the light to fair demand.

RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE 121.5-129.25	123-126
LARGE 120-127	121-124
MEDIUM 82.5-90	83-87

Southeast Area: AL, GA, MS, NC, SC, eastern TN, & southern VA

**SOUTH CENTRAL REGIONAL** Prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment cautiously steady. Retail movement was light to moderate. Food service demand was usually light. Supplies were adequate to available. Central States breaking stock prices unchanged. Offerings were balanced to unavailable for the fair to fairly good demand. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

RANGE	MOSTLY
EXTRA LARGE 129.5-138	131-134
LARGE 121.5-130	123-126
MEIDIUM 85.5-94	87-90

South Central Area: AR, AZ, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, & TX

**NEW YORK** Prices were unchanged on extra large, large and medium eggs when compared to last Friday's values. Trade sentiment ranged at best steady to mostly barely steady. Demand was reported as very light to moderate. Supplies were usually adequate to fully sufficient for immediate trade needs.

PRICES TO RETAILERS, SALES TO VOLUME BUYERS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, DELIVERED STORE DOOR, CENTS PER DOZEN

RANGE
EXTRA LARGE 131-135
LARGE 129-133
MEDIUM 92-96

**WESTERN** Prices were unchanged from last week's reported prices. Trade sentiment steady to barely steady. The Pacific inventory increased 9% from last Monday, with California up 11% and OR-WA-UT increasing 6%. Demand was slow to good with offerings usually adequate.

**CALIFORNIA** Benchmark prices were unchanged. Trade sentiment was steady to barely steady. The Pacific inventory was up 9% from last Monday, with California increasing 11% and OR-WA-UT up 6%. Demand was light to good with offerings adequate. Small benchmark price \$1.03.

Shell egg marketer's benchmark price for negotiated egg sales of USDA Grade AA and Grade AA in cartons, cents per dozen. This price does not reflect discounts or other contract terms.

RANGE
JUMBO 176
EXTRA LARGE 170
LARGE 158
MEDIIUM 123

**NATIONAL RETAIL EGG PURCHASES REPORT** Cooperators estimate orders for the week ending September 21, 2007 will decrease by 4 percent. Present week purchases for the week ending September 14, 2007 were 214,593 cases which was 6 percent below the prior week and 9 percent below estimates.

	<b>CARTONED</b>	<b>LOOSE</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
Cases purchased present week.....	163,286	51,307	214,593

% change from the prior week..... -4 -13 -6  
Comparison figures are compiled on a matched plant basis. Purchases and estimates by 14 cooperators; 30 dozen cases or equivalent.

**CENTRAL STATES BREAKING STOCK** Prices were unchanged. Demand was fair to fairly good with offerings balanced to available. Schedules full-time. Trade sentiment mostly steady.

Prices in cents per dozen, delivered to breakers, 48lb. minimum net weight per 30 dozen case, eggs from table egg layers. Packaging may vary.

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MOSTLY</b>
BREAKING STOCK	82-84	83-84
CHECKS & UNDERGRADES	66-74	66-69
CENTRAL STATES AREA: AR, CO, IA, IL, IN, KS, LA, MI, MN, MO, NM, ND, NE, OH, OK, SD, TX, WI		

**SOUTH CENTRAL LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS** Trading levels were slightly lower compared to the past week. Demand was moderate for fully adequate offerings of spent heavy fowl. Schedules were reduced to normal. Finished sales were improving but moderate at most levels. Trade sentiment was about steady.

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 17-SEPTEMBER-07

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	7-13 CENTS/LB.		9.94

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

**SOUTHEAST LIVE HEAVY-TYPE HENS** Prices were generally unchanged when compared to the previous week. Demand was fair to moderate for the generally adequate to at least adequate offerings of spent hens. Processing schedules were normal. Sales of finished product was fair to moderate. The undertone was generally steady

HEAVY TYPE HENS (7 POUNDS AND UP)\* FINAL PRICE, GENERALLY FOR SLAUGHTER THE WEEK OF 17-SEPTEMBER -07

	<b>RANGE</b>	<b>MAJORITY</b>	<b>WTD AVG</b>
AT FARM BUYER LOADING	8-13 CENTS/LB.		10.00
AT FARM PRODUCER LOADING	TOO FEW TO REPORT		
FOB PLANT	TOO FEW TO REPORT		

\*WEIGHTS UNDER 7 LBS. SUBJECT TO DISCOUNT.

## **WEEKLY SHELL EGG INVENTORY REPORT-SEP 17, 2007**

STOCKS ON HAND AVAILABLE FOR MARKETING 1/ 2/  
(30 DOZEN CASES-IN THOUSANDS)

		<b>Northeast</b>	<b>No Cent</b>	<b>So Cent</b>	<b>So Atl</b>	<b>Pacific</b>	<b>5-Area</b>
Jumbo	Curr Wk	5.8	19.6	9.4	10.0	11.2	56.0
	Change	0.8	2.7	1.7	1.2	0.1	13%
Ex Lge	Curr Wk	21.1	37.4	12.8	24.2	31.5	127.0
	Change	1.5	8.3	-1.2	-1.2	0.6	7%
Large	Curr Wk	35.3	86.6	74.7	112.1	103.2	411.9
	Change	6.1	11.6	-3.0	1.6	13.0	8%
Medium	Curr Wk	10.7	40.8	20.0	16.6	47.2	135.3
	Change	-0.6	-4.1	-1.4	-3.2	6.7	-2%
Small	Curr Wk	2.1	9.5	2.5	8.4	8.2	30.7
	Change	-3.6	-0.1	-1.4	2.6	1.0	-5%
Misc	Curr Wk	3.4	23.3	10.0	13.0	6.8	56.5
	Change	0.0	-1.0	0.4	2.7	1.9	8%
Ungraded	Curr Wk	11.7	42.7	12.7	16.2	21.5	104.8
	Change	2.0	-12.3	1.9	-1.7	-4.7	-12%
Total	Curr Wk	90.1	259.9	142.1	200.5	229.6	922.2
Percent	Change	7%	2%	-2%	1%	9%	3%
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>Number of Cases</b>	<b>Percent Change</b>	<b>Number of Cooperators</b>			
Shell Egg		922.2	3%	154			
Shell Egg Breaking Stock		221.0	-6%	33			
Total Shell Egg		1143.2	1%	187			

1/ Information supplied by a universe of 154 cooperators who normally have stocks on hand each Monday A.M. and is on the basis of matched plants reporting in both the current and previous weeks. This is a representative sample of the U.S. inventory and includes eggs packed for export when in cooperator's coolers.

No valid comparison can be made with year ago or previous months' figures due to changes in number of plants surveyed, holidays falling in different weeks or changes in size of plant operations.

2/ The change in the cooperator universe resulted in no change to the previous week, no adjustments were necessary.

Northeast - CT, DE, MA, MD, ME, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, VT  
North Central - IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI  
South Central - AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX  
South Atlantic - AL, FL, GA, KY, MS, NC, SC, TN, VA, WV  
Pacific - AZ, CA, ID, MT, NV, OR, UT, WA, WY

## **CANADIAN EGGS**

QUEBEC/MONTREAL: WHOLESALE PRICES-GRADED IN CARTONS (CANADIAN DOLLARS) AS REPORTED BY AGRICULTURE AND AGRI-FOOD CANADA, AISD, AID, POULTRY SECTION FOR THE WEEK OF SEP 03, 2007

<b>GRADE A</b>	<b>XLARGE</b>	<b>LARGE</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>SMALL</b>
	2.04	2.02	1.82	1.24

MINIMUM PRICES FOR PRODUCERS FOB FARM FOR WEEK OF SEP 03, 2007 AS SET BY ONTARIO EGG PRODUCERS

<b>GRADE A</b>	<b>XLARGE</b>	<b>LARGE</b>	<b>MEDIUM</b>	<b>SMALL</b>
	1.60	1.60	1.44	.84

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** DAILY WTD. AVG PRICES (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR SEP 14, 2007  
**CURRENT LOADS 19.00 FUTURE LOADS 4.50 TOTAL LOADS 23.50**

SE			NE		MW			SC			NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	102.20	103.00	100.00	101.50	--	--	7.50	GNR W 1	113.00	--	--	--	--	--	.25
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	115.00	--	--	--	115.00	120.00	3.00
GL W XL	116.00	119.00	109.00	111.00	100.00	--	5.00	GL W XL	--	--	--	114.00	--	113.25	3.00
GL W LG	--	--	--	--	92.41	--	4.25	GL W LG	--	--	--	--	--	104.57	4.25
GL W MD	--	--	--	--	--	--	.50	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	123.00	.25
GL W SM	--	--	58.50	61.00	--	--	1.00	GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	--	123.00	1.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	110.00	--	.25								
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	110.00	--	1.00								

**TRAILER LOAD EGG SALES** Weekly 5-Day WTD. AVG Prices (CENTS/DOZ) NATIONAL TRADING FOR SEP 10, 2007-SEP 14, 2007  
**CURRENT LOADS 99.00 FUTURE LOADS 24.50 TOTAL LOADS 123.50**

SE			NE		MW			SC			NW		SW		
CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS	CLASS	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	ORG	DST	LOADS
GNR W 1	100.29	103.00	100.10	101.67	--	96.00	39.50	GNR W 1	113.00	105.85	--	--	--	--	13.25
GNR W 3	--	--	--	--	--	--	1.00	GNR BR 1	113.00	--	--	--	125.00	126.00	2.00
GNR W 4	--	77.00	--	--	--	--	1.00	GL W J	115.00	--	--	--	115.00	120.00	4.00
GNR BR 1	--	--	--	--	--	114.00	2.00	GL W XL	--	110.17	--	114.00	--	113.59	17.50
GL W J	--	--	--	--	109.00	119.00	1.00	GL W LG	--	112.00	--	117.00	--	104.47	22.00
GL W XL	118.25	118.67	111.33	111.22	100.13	106.00	38.00	GL W MD	--	72.45	--	--	75.00	77.86	8.00
GL W LG	--	117.40	91.00	109.25	93.63	--	23.50	GL BR J	--	128.00	--	--	--	--	.25
GL W MD	73.00	--	70.00	71.50	73.21	--	10.25	GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	--	123.00	.25
GL W SM	--	--	58.17	60.67	57.00	60.00	7.00	GL BR LG	--	118.00	--	--	--	123.00	1.75
GL BR J	--	--	--	--	--	--	.25	NRBS - 48	83.00	84.00	--	--	--	--	6.00
GL BR XL	--	--	--	--	110.00	--	.25	NRBS - 39	70.00	--	--	--	75.00	77.75	2.00
GL BR LG	--	--	--	--	110.00	--	1.75								

WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES ARE LISTED FOR VARIOUS CLASSES PRICED BY ORIGIN AND/OR DESTINATION FOR 6 REGIONS. THE LOADS COLUMN REFLECTS TOTAL LOADS REPORTED AND INCLUDES LOADS WITH PRICES TO BE DETERMINED LATER. NRBS CATEGORIES REPRESENT NET WEIGHT - MATERIAL MAY OR MAY NOT BE INCLUDED. LOAD MOVEMENT REPRESENTS TOTAL MOVEMENT WITHIN 6 REGIONS.

#### **COLD STORAGE MOVEMENT-FROZEN EGGS** (in thousands)

ON HAND	09/10/07	09/03/07	09/10/06
PACIFIC COAST	9	12	85
LOS ANGELES	0	0	83

#### **NORTH CAROLINA EGGS**

The market is steady on all sizes. Supplies are generally adequate. Retail demand is mixed. PRICES WEIGHTED AVERAGE, IN SMALL LOTS, USDA GRADE A AND GRADE A, WHITE EGGS IN CARTONS, NEARBY RETAIL OUTLET, CENTS PER DOZEN.

##### **MOSTLY**

EXTRA LARGE	143.87
LARGE	137.67
MEDIUM	100.86
SMALL	85.00

#### **CERTIFIED ORGANIC EGGS IN CARTONS**

(price per carton delivered to first receivers)

Brown Eggs	Cents/Carton	Mostly
Extra Large doz.	229 - 261	239 - 240
1/2 doz.	120 - 158	130 - 134
Large doz	224 - 250	225 - 230
1/2 doz.	115 - 149	125 - 128

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